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ReadyWisconsin AmeriCorps Disaster Preparedness Program to Increase Community Resilience

MADISON – Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) is seeking community-minded individuals to serve as part-time or full-time AmeriCorps members in emergency management offices throughout the state from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016. AmeriCorps, often referred to as a domestic Peace Corps, places individuals who make a commitment to serving their communities. Members receive a modest living allowance and earn an educational award granted upon the successful completion of their terms of service.

Now in its third year, the ReadyWisconsin AmeriCorps Disaster Preparedness Program aims to increase community emergency readiness by delivering preparedness training to organizations and businesses and by recruiting and training local volunteers who can help with response and recovery activities during disasters.

AmeriCorps members will serve with experienced emergency management directors in their host communities working on disaster preparedness projects as well as participating in training and actual emergency response/recovery operations as they occur. The 2015-16 host communities include Bayfield County, Clark County, Polk County, Price County, Richland County, Sawyer County, Shawano County, Washburn County, Waukesha County, and Wisconsin Emergency Management.

For additional information and to apply for ReadyWisconsin AmeriCorps opportunities please go to http://ready.wi.gov/AmeriCorps/